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Joe Sisco informs me that Mr. Nitze is going to raise this in the meeting.

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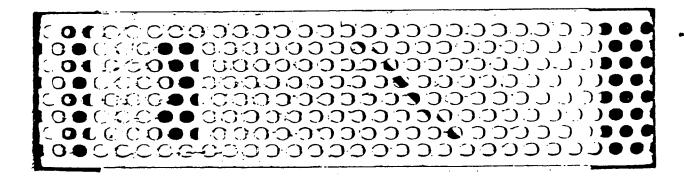
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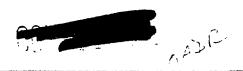
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through SYG or
1. Inform Kuznetsov either/directly mxxkkrengk, that
U.S. considers Russian operated anti-aircraft units responsibility
of Russian Government, not Cuban Government.

(FYI, the Cubans are incapable of operating surface-toair missiles without Russian support.

They may be incapable of ww operating 57 MM radar controlled wi anti-aircraft equipment. Above named weapons more effective.)

2. Bring to the attention SYG that President's proclamation missiles fuel of the line of the line of type used in MRBM and IRBM's removed from the Island/

FYI, all three missiles, MRBM's, IRBM's and SAM's used mitric acid as the basic fuel and amine, a hydrozene compound, as the oxidizer. The SAM's have a first-stage solid booster but the second stage uses the mitric acid and hydrozen and, therefore, the missile would be inoperative without the liquids. The liquid fuels are storable, that is, they can be left in the missiles air indefinitely.

3. Inform SYG and Kuznetsov, that in absence of UN inspect, U.S. insists on overflight rights without interference. If anti-aircraft fire continues we may fire at anti-aircraft sites. If we do so, we will we only fire if fired upon and only at the site which fires.

(IO:MTB from Lorraine in Barber's office)

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